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L U N C H E O N

WEDNESDAY, February 22 -- Savoy Plaza Hotel, 59th & Fifth Avenue

Cocktails at Noon-----LUNCHEON at 12:30 PM sharp

\$3.00 -- Less Tip -- For Members \$3.50 for Guests

INSIDE THE NEW MANCHURIA

by

ANGUS WARD

United States Consul General at Mukden

from 1946 to 1949

A particularly obnoxious case of international bad behavior was the house arrest by Chinese Communists of Consul General Angus Ward, his staff and their families, on November 20, 1948. A career foreign service officer who served in Tientsin, Moscow, Vladivostok and Tehran before his Mukden assignment, Ward was subjected to continued diplomatic indignity until he left on December 7, 1949. Next Wednesday -- in his first speech in New York -- Angus Ward will give OPC members and their guests a personal report from "Inside the New Manchuria."

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OFFICIAL

Board of Governors Meeting.....	Clubrooms.....	Tuesday, February 21, 8:30 PM
Awards Committee Meeting.....	Clubrooms.....	Friday, February 24, 5:45 PM
House Committee Meeting.....	Clubrooms.....	Monday, February 27, 5:30 PM

The Chairman of the Admissions Committee announces the election to membership in the Overseas Press Club of America of the following candidates:

Active

EDWARD W. BARRETT, Assistant Secretary of State, Washington, D.C.
PIERRE DENOYER, Reader's Digest (French edition)
DONALD ROBINSON, (215 East 73rd St., New York, N.Y.)
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DOROTHY CAREW, (c/o American Express Co., Rome, Italy)
CURTIS JOSEPH HOXTER, International Chamber of Commerce, New York

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JOHNSON, MCMAHON TO SPEAK
BEFORE ANNUAL OPC BANQUET

Secretary of Defense Louis Johnson and Senator Brien McMahon, Chairman of the Joint Congressional Committee on Atomic Energy, will make major addresses at the Overseas Press Club's 11th Annual Dinner on March 3 at the Waldorf-Astoria Hotel, the Dinner Committee announced this week. They will be the only speakers.

As plans for the most important event in the Club year neared completion, reservations continued to arrive in increasing numbers at Dinner Headquarters.

"Those who want good tables should send in their subscriptions at once," advised LOUIS P. LOCHNER, Dinner Committee Chairman. He added that seating assignments would shortly be made on a first-come-first-serve basis. Reservations should be addressed to Miss Fanshawe, 136 East 64th Street, New York 21, N.Y. (Dinner Headquarters). Club members and one guest each may buy tickets at \$9.50 per person. Other guests: \$15 per cover. Boxes: \$20.

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WILL ATTEND GALA MARCH DINNER

In addition to guest speakers Louis Johnson and Senator McMahon, a group of distinguished figures in the fields of politics, education, arts and military affairs will be present on the Waldorf Astoria dais on March 3, it was reported this week.

Among those from whom official acceptances have been received are: EDWARD W. BARRETT, Club Member and Assistant Secretary of State for Public Affairs; Francis P. Matthews, Secretary of the Navy; General Carlos P. Romulo, President of the UN General Assembly; Paul Griffith, Assistant Secretary of Defense; Stephen Early, Deputy Secretary of Defense; Fritz Kreisler, violinist and composer; Guy Gabrielson, Chairman of the Republican National Committee; Lt. Gen. Leslie R. Groves, former head of the Manhattan atomic energy project; Lt. Gen. Robert Eichelberger, United States Army; Lt. Gen. James H. Doolittle, former Commander of the 8th Air Force; Brig. Gen. Robert Ginsburgh, United States Army; Admiral Thomas C. Kinkaid, Commander, Eastern Seas Frontier; Gene Tunney, former Navy commander and world's heavyweight boxing champion; and Harold R. Stassen, President of the University of Pennsylvania.

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VOLUNTEERS FOR THE TELEPHONE TEAM are needed by Dinner Chairman LOUIS LOCHNER to inform local members and other possible guests of the March 3 banquet. If you can help, please advise the Club, LO. 4-0174.

DEADLINE FOR BALLOTS for the annual Overseas Press Club Awards is midnight, THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 23. All selections must be in Club headquarters by that time. If you have not already done so, please send in your ballot at once.

The Club records with regret the death in Chicago on February 10 of Associate Member ERNEST L. BYFIELD, host to celebrities and president of the Sherman, Ambassador East and Ambassador West Hotels. In 1944 BYFIELD was a war correspondent in the ETO for the Chicago Herald-American...BOB REUBEN of Foote, Cone and Belding's Switzerland office, will arrive in New York soon for several weeks vacation and consultation...

ON THEIR HONEYMOON to New York last week were the WILLIAM E. DORMANS. Both BILL and his bride are with the Boston Traveler...

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A preview of what may happen in England next week will comprise the OPC's television show Sunday when three experts discuss Britain's forthcoming elections. Participating in the first of a two-part program (the second scheduled for after the election) will be Ronald Tree, Conservative Member of Parliament from 1933 to 1945 and a close friend of Winston Churchill; Sir Norman Angell, Laborite MP, 1929-1931, economist, author and lecturer; and William Lydgate of the British Gallup Poll. Moderator will be Quincy Howe. (Channel 2, WCBS-TV, Sunday, February 19, 5-5:30 PM)

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BERNARD S. REDMONT flew into New York last week to attend his father's funeral. After almost four years in Argentina for U.S. News & World Report, BERN now covers France and the Mediterranean area from Paris. He was in Paris only two weeks before he lined up an apartment, office, car and school for his son. Ah, life is fast in Paris!...Now in Havana as a member of the U.S. Delegation in bilateral conference with Cuba on frequency allocations under the North American Regional Broadcasting Agreement is EDMUND A. CHESTER of CBS... After a two-month stay in the U.S., ALPHEUS "BILL" JESSUP early this week returned to Tokyo where he heads the McGraw-Hill World News Bureau...MARGARET BOURKE WHITE is in South Africa until early April on a Life mag assignment...

FOLLOWING HIS APPEARANCE on the television program, "Who Said That?", at the Radio Correspondents Dinner in Washington recently, H.V. KALTENBORN had a new experience. He was presented with six photographs of himself taken by television fans in as many cities. The pictures showed KALTENBORN as he appeared on television screens hundreds of miles apart...HENRY J. TAYLOR has been selected by the Thomas Jefferson Memorial Foundation to give the Jefferson Day address and lay the wreath on Jefferson's tomb in the national ceremony at Monticello, Va., on April 13...

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"Diagnosis: Homicide", LAWRENCE G. BLOCHMAN's new book (released this week by Lippincott) carries an introduction by Dr. Thomas A. Gonzales, Chief Medical Examiner for the City of New York. The volume is a collection of BLOCHMAN's "Dr. Coffee" stories...BOB and ANNE DOYLE of Life took off last week for another tour of duty in the Far East. They'll spend five days in Paris, arrive in Bangkok in time for the State Department conference there and then head for Hong Kong...

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REPORT ON SEMI-ANNUAL MEETING

President FRANK KELLEY on February 15 presided at a Semi-Annual OPC Meeting held at the Newspaper Guild Club. Forty-five members were present. A letter from RALPH JULES FRANTZ, submitting his resignation as Club Treasurer after more than five years of service was read to the membership, and a resolution adopted expressing the Club's gratitude for his selfless contributions to Club progress. President KELLEY then summarized briefly recent accomplishments of the Bulletin, Television, House, Admissions and Library Committees, and requested a personal report from LOUIS LOCHNER on the Dinner Committee (report covered on Pages 2 and 3). Later discussion centered on possible plans to move the Club offices into new and larger quarters and on suggestions to improve the OPC television show. Also, a telegram signed by HESTER HENSELL and announcing her resignation as elected Secretary of the Club was received by President KELLEY. Action on the resignation would be taken, he said, at the February 21 meeting of the Board of Governors.

A TRIP TO CHILE's Antarctic outpost, a story on the coca and cocaine problems of Peru and Bolivia and interviews with the Perons of Argentina will highlight ELIOT ELISOFON's four-month assignment in South America for Life...

DAVID DARAH reports from Taxco, Mexico, that he's just run into members JOHN EVANS and BILL CARNEY. DAVID's off for Los Angeles March 1; thence to New York around April 1...

CONVERGING ON LONDON to cover Britain's hotly contested national elections for the Columbia Broadcasting System on February 23 are OPC members HOWARD K. SMITH, BILL DOWNS and EDWARD R. MURROW...

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"I WANT TO THANK THE OVERSEAS PRESS CLUB," writes BERYL KENT from Los Angeles, "for the many courtesies extended me through its membership since my return to the States a few months ago." Seems BERYL joined the OPC while in Tokyo. Then, planning to head homewards, she wrote asking for names of members in San Francisco and Los Angeles. Back went advice to contact PAUL C. SMITH of the San Francisco Chronicle and CLETE ROBERTS of Station KMPC in Hollywood. "Both men graciously extended press club facilities in their respective cities to me," BERYL commented gratefully. "This is a very worthwhile service," she said, "deeply appreciated by many like myself, who stay out of the States so long, we like to find some spot on return where we can find fellow reporters or entertain friends."

RALPH H. MAJOR, JR., Acting Editor

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